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From: SAN FRANCISCO

To: MOSCOW

Re: 41

12 March 1945

[1 group unidentified] to SAN FRANCISCO [6 groups unrecoverable]
Vladimir Ilyenovich KIEHNEV[1]

[11 groups unrecoverable]

KIEHNEV said that if the press of the USA does not [1 group unidentified]
its hostile tone with regard to the USSR,

[5h groups unrecoverable]

him concerning the necessity of being [4 groups unidentified] and [1
group unidentified]. In answer to this KIEHNEV told me that he had an
appropriate plan of his travels in the USA, agreed upon with the Cen-
ter. KIEHNEV is working here in the uniform of an Australian war
correspondent. Through Americans he [2 groups unrecoverable] in

[remainder of message, 77 groups, unavailable]

Comments:

- (1) KIEHNEV: Vladimir Ilyenovich KIEHNEV was the TASS corre-
spondent in SYDNEY, Australia from 10 September 1942 to 18 Janu-
ary 1945. He returned to the USSR accompanied by Georgij
Makarovich BOROVOV, travelling via the USA, being recorded as
being in SAN FRANCISCO between 1 and 25 February, 1945.

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